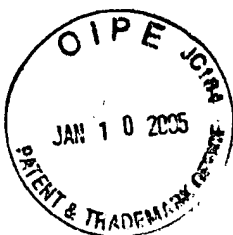


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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ No additional fees under 37 C.F.R. Rule 1.16 are required.
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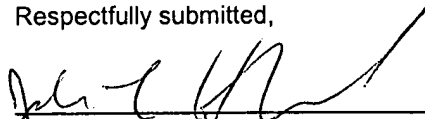
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated December 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on Page of this paper:

☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

☐ **Amendments to the Drawings**

☒ **Remarks/Argument** begin on Page 4 of this paper.